

399 Here unto set my hand and fixed my Seal
The day and date first a bove written.
Signed and Sealed

In presence of
Jacob Williams
William Drake
Ben. Williams
Lewis Williams

Jonah Williams (Clerk)

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 9 Day
of May 1771. This will was presented in Court by the Executor
therein Named and proved by the oaths of Benjamin Williams
and Lewis Williams two the Witnesses there to and ordered
to be Recorded. And on the motion of the said Executor who
made Oath according to law Certificate was granted them
Obtaining a probat thereof in due form.

J. Heflor

Primary
James
Will

In the name of God Amen I James Hamsey of Southampton
County being sick and weak of Body but in perfect mind and
Memory and calling to mind the Mortality of my body and
Knowing that it is ordained for all men once to die do ordain
This to be my last will and testament in the following manner
And from first of all I recommend my Soul into the hands
of the almighty God that gave it me and my Body to be
Decently Buried at the Discretion of my Executors.

Item I Give the use of the Plantation whereon I now live
containing one hundred and Sixty five Acres to my loving
Wife Catharine Hamsey during her Natural Life after her
Death to descend to my son James Hamsey to him and his
heirs for ever.

Item I Give to my wife Catharine one Bed and furniture and the use
of my to Negroes Rachel and fill during of her Life and after
her death to descend in following manner my Negro Phil

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